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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND
INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of One hundred and twenty-five (125) pages
- Thirty-one (31) sheet(s) formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority

- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2003-65215; 2003-147647; 2003-347482 and 2003-348631 filed in JAPAN on March 11, 2003; May 26, 2003; October 6, 2003 and October 7, 2003.
- Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)
- An assignment of the invention
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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